



Well Done Rivington!

Congratulations to the members of Rivington House who won the House Point Challenge this half term. The reward for all your hard work is a trip to the cinema at Robin Park next Wednesday morning. Parents and carers should have already received a letter with information about the trip. If you have any questions, pop in to the office or have a word with your child's class teacher at the end of the day. Reception children in Rivington house will have their own reward within school.

Beech Hill— We are a community of learners

In assembly on Thursday, a new initiative was launched in school, The Spirals of Enquiry. As our school mission statement says, we are *doing our best today for a brighter future for tomorrow* and with spirals of enquiry we hope to build strong ethos of learning that will allow all in our school community to thrive. Through our involvement with the project we want to make learning even more exciting, engaging and relevant to our children, promoting a lifelong love of learning that will help them to succeed in life, learning and work. In our first step this week, the roles in school have been reversed, the teachers are learners and our learners have become teachers, setting all the grown-ups a challenge. Keep an eye out on Twitter to see how much progress they make towards meeting their challenge over the next few weeks! Will Mrs Fitzpatrick ever be as fast a flosser as Leila or Jessica? Will Miss Whittaker ever succeed at the cross-bar challenge? What challenge can you set yourself? Post it on the class Twitter feed and let us know how you're getting on. #lifelonglearners

Motivated Minds in years 5 and 6

Children who are aware of their emotions and know how to express them in a socially acceptable manner perform better at school, have better social relationships and are less likely to suffer with anxiety or display behaviour problems. Good mental health allows children and young people to develop the resilience to cope with whatever life throws at them and grow into well-rounded, healthy adults. We invited Martyn from Motivated Minds in to school to work with Kestrel and Eagle Classes. The Year 5 children focussed on identifying their emotions and discussed constructive ways in talking about them. Year 6 children explored ways of communicating effectively with each other and the importance of team work.



There seem to be fireworks everywhere at the moment. For important information about staying safe ahead of Bonfire Night, please visit :

safe4autumn.com



Parent conferences take place next week. Please make sure you have booked your appointment with your child's teacher. It is so important that we have an opportunity to talk about ways in which school and home can support learning.

14th December...14th December...14th

The Friends of Beech Hill will be holding a Christmas Fair after school on 14th December. There will be a range of stalls and activities—if you have any ideas for stalls or would like to help, you will be warmly welcomed by our Friends.

Dates for your Diary

- 31st October: Eagle Sharing Assembly
- 6th November: Kestrel Sharing Assembly
- 7th November: Winning House cinema trip
- w/b 5th November: Parent / Teacher conferences
- 6th November: Parent evening for working parents
- 27th November: Let's Sing Concert at Robin Park
- 12th December: School Book Fair
- 13th December: KS1 Christmas Production
- 14th December: KS2 Christmas Production
- 14th December: Christmas Fair
- 17th December: Christmas Dinner / Christmas Jumpers
- 18th December: Reception Christmas Production
- 20th December: Nursery Sing-a-long
- 21st December: School Closes for Christmas

Time To Talk

If you could travel in Dr Who's Tardis where and when would you go?

ATTENDANCE

Regular attendance at school is crucial if children are to achieve the best outcomes possible. Please ensure your child attends school every day.

Best attending classes week ending: 19/10/18	
EYFS & KS1	Swallow Class: 95.6%
KS2	Kestrel Class: 97.9%



Swan Class

Welcome to the Swan class newsletter.

Don't forget to follow us on Twitter. @BHCohort2224

The children had an exciting first day back at school during the introduction of our Explorers topic because Eddie Explorer, Arthur Astronaut and Pirate Pat came to visit.

They learned how to make maps of the school grounds, design and make shelters and we even lit the camp fire so that the explorers could keep warm. We are really looking forward to having more adventures with the explorers.



The Explorers



Building Shelters



The camp fire



Shelter designs

We are really looking forward to the next six weeks of PE because we will be working hard to improve our Rugby skills with a coach from Wigan Warriors.



The children loved taking part in our outdoor Science afternoon as part of Outdoor Learning day.

Year one investigated the properties of materials and Year two investigated the suitability of materials for different purposes.

The children did a great job



This half term we will be basing our writing on the story of The Snail and the Whale.